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MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: PCB cleanup requirements *Send*

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This is in reply to your inquiry regarding appropriate cleanup levels for PCBs at less than 50 ppm in soils. The PCB regulations at 40 CFR Part 761 do not regulate PCBs spilled or disposed of in soils with "as found" concentrations below 50 ppm. The exceptions to this are post 1978 spills where the sources can be identified as regulated sources that have been diluted to below 50 ppm. Regarding removing soils from a cleanup site with less than 50 ppm and treating them for other wastes, the PCBs are not regulated under the PCB regulations provided the soils are not treated for the PCBs.



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